

Alaska Local and Regional Information

Workforce Info

Willow Creek

Willow Creek is an unincorporated CDP located at mile 105 of the Richardson Highway, on the Old Edgerton Highway, south of Copper Center. Willow Creek is part of the Valdez-Cordova Census Area.

- ♦ The estimated population for 2008 was 147, a loss of about 54 since the 2000 Census.
- ♦ About 45 percent of the resident population 16+ years old worked in 2008.
- ♦ Leisure and Hospitality and Trade, Transportation and Utilities were the main industries in 2008, each employing 15 percent of the area's workers.
- ♦ More workers were employed as Operating Engineers and Other Construction Equipment Operators than any other occupation.

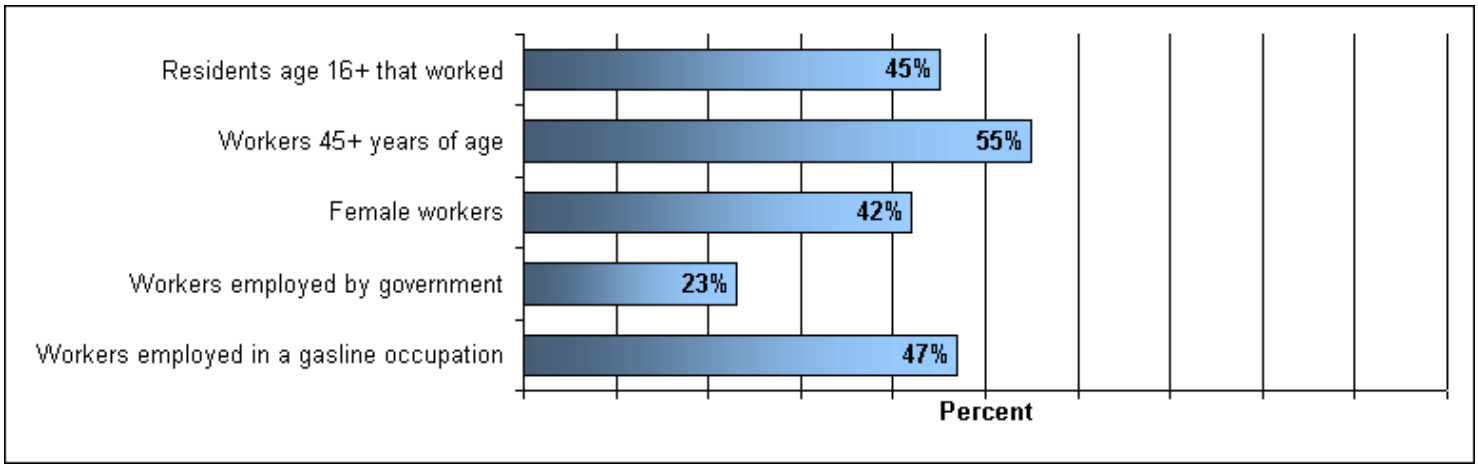
Please note: There is an important distinction between the local/regional employment data and our "standard" employment series. Most of these data reflect totals for area residents only. Total worker counts may be lower than expected in areas with a large number of nonresident workers. The Alaska Permanent Fund dividend file is used to determine the worker's geographic residence. Only Alaska residents (as defined by PFD application) are included in these totals. Also note that federal employees, the military, and the self-employed are not included in these data.

Willow Creek Resident Snapshot (2008)

Working Age Residents		Wages	
Residents age 16+	134	Total wages	\$1,302,510
Resident Worker Characteristics		Resident Workers by Sector	
Total	60	Private	46
Male	35	State government	6
Female	25	Local government	8
Age 45+	33	Quarterly Number of Resident Workers	
Age 50+	22	Peak (3rd) quarter workers	53
		Percent working all 4 quarters	51.7%
Unemployment		Construction/AGIA Occupation Experience (2004-2008)	
UI Claimants	17	Some construction	12
		At least 1 year construction	8
		At least 2 years construction	2
New Hires		Worked in an AGIA occupation	54
New hires	28		

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2008 Residents

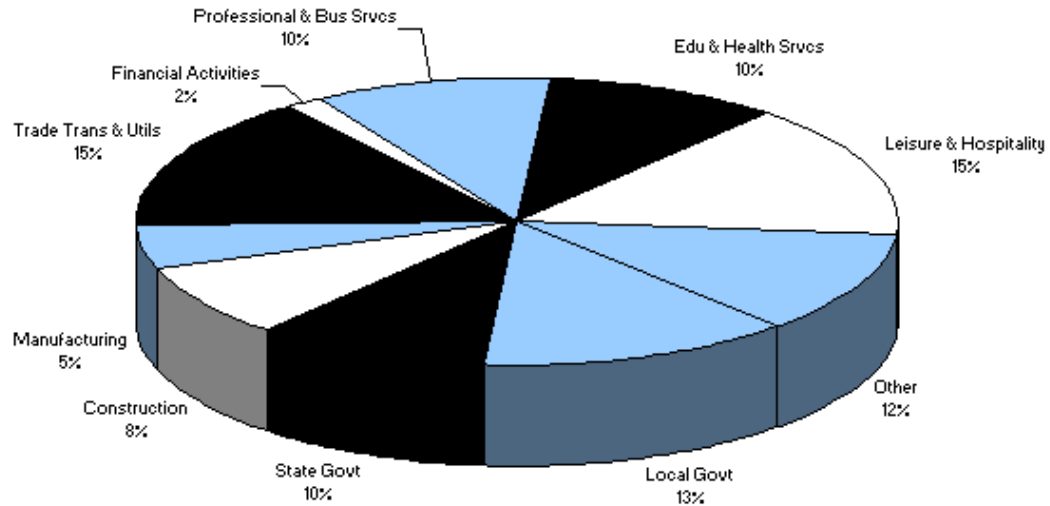


Top Occupations

	Number employed	Percent female	Age 45+	Age 50+
Operating Engineers and Other Construction Equipment Operators AGIA HOT JOB	5	20.0%	5	3

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Resident Workers by Industry



Workers by Industry

	Number employed	Percent female	Age 45+	Age 50+
Natural Resources and Mining	0	0.0%	0	0
Construction	5	0.0%	2	2
Manufacturing	*	*	*	*
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	9	33.3%	3	2
Information	0	0.0%	0	0
Financial Activities	*	*	*	*
Professional and Business Services	6	0.0%	5	2
Educational and Health Services	6	83.3%	3	2
Leisure and Hospitality	9	44.4%	2	2
State Government	6	50.0%	5	4
Local Government	8	62.5%	4	3
Other	7	71.4%	6	4
Unknown	0	0.0%	0	0

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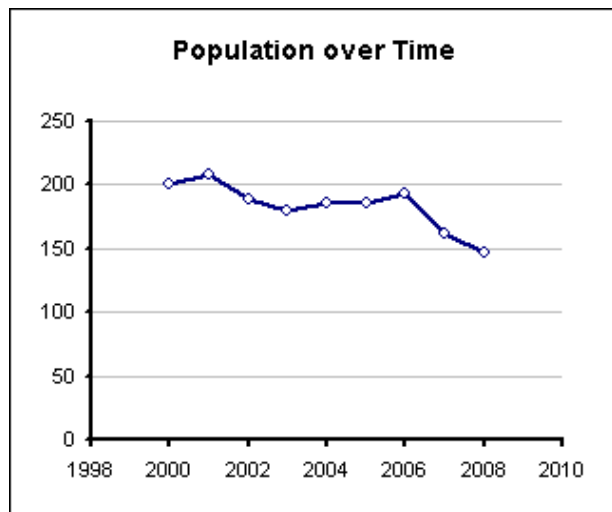
Recent Unemployment Statistics

	09/2009	10/2009	11/2009	12/2009
UI Claimants**	0	0	0	0

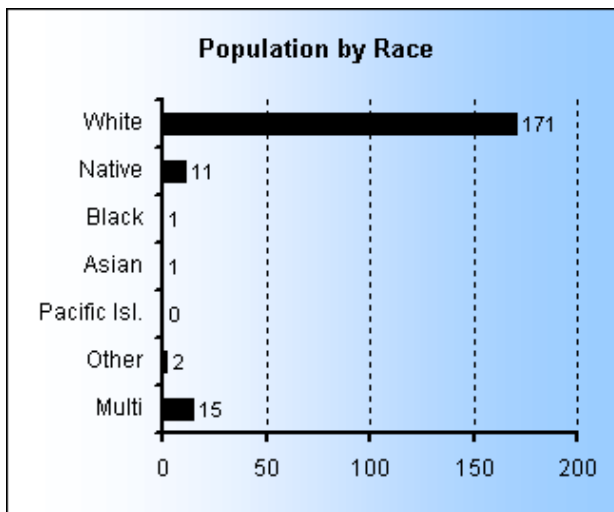
**UI claimants are individuals in this area who had an active claim at any time during the month.

Top Employers (ranked by number of workers)

Copper River School District
State of AK (excludes U of A)
Alaska Hotel Properties LLC
Connecting Ties Inc
American Village of AK Inc
Copper River Native Assoc Inc
Crossroad Medical Center
Verns Clean It Up
Omni Enterprises Inc
The American Legion Post 27



2000 Census	
Median Age	41.4
Average Family Size	3.2
Average Household Size	2.5
Per Capita Income	\$18,242
Median Family Income	\$40,000
Median Household Income	\$36,563



(Note: Racial classification is based on self identification. The "Multi" category consists of those who claim to be members of more than one race. The "Native" category includes Alaska Natives and American Indians.)

Source: Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Research and Analysis Section
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